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The Honorable Barbara A. Mikulski  
United States Senate  
1629 Thames Street, Suite 400  
Baltimore, Maryland 21231

Dear Senator Mikulski:

Thank you for your letter of April 8, 2011 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on behalf of your constituent, Mr. [redacted], regarding the recent proposal of the Sauer Dump Site (Site) to the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL).

The [redacted] Citizens Improvement Association (Association) supported the listing of the Site on the NPL, appealed for an extension of the 60-day public comment period, and requested EPA's attendance at the May 11, 2011 monthly Association meeting.

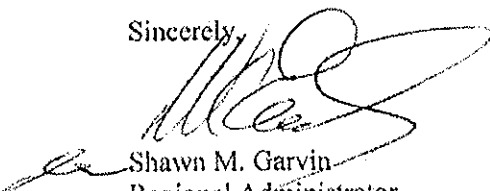
The official public comment period for the Site was scheduled to close on May 9, 2011. However, an extension of the comment period has been granted. The comment period will close on May 16, 2011.

EPA representatives will attend the Association's May 11, 2011 meeting to record any comments regarding the proposed listing. The proposal to the NPL is a formal rulemaking process; therefore, EPA cannot discuss the scoring of the Site during the meeting. The recorded information and comments about the proposed listing will be included in the official NPL docket and will be considered in EPA's response to comments and to the final decision as to whether to list the Site on the NPL.

In addition, EPA will provide a general overview of the Superfund and scoring process. Information on opportunities for community involvement during the cleanup process, should the Site be listed on the NPL, will be provided as well.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or have your staff contact Mrs. Linda Miller, EPA's Maryland Liaison, at 215-814-2068.

Sincerely,

  
Shawn M. Garvin  
Regional Administrator